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**N.J. BOARD OF NURSING**

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF SUSPENSION OR:  
REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF :

Administrative Action

Melissa Cardinal, R.N.  
License# 26NO10693600

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT  
OF LICENSE

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of respondent's request for reinstatement of her nursing license. Respondent's license expired on May 31, 2013, and the Board has ascertained that respondent continued in employment as a nurse until present.

The Board finds that respondent's having engaged in the practice of nursing subsequent to the expiration of her nursing license constitutes the unlicensed practice of nursing in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:11-37 and 45:1-25.

The Board having determined that reinstatement of respondent's license to practice nursing is appropriate, and that the within

Order is sufficiently protective of the public, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2014

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. Respondent's petition for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in New Jersey is granted upon review and approval of a completed application for reinstatement along with the requisite fees, information and the required Criminal History Background Check.

2. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$250.00 for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:11-37 and 45:1-25. Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be submitted simultaneously with this signed Order.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Patricia Ann Murphy  
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C  
Board President

I have read and understand  
the within Consent Order and  
agree to be bound by its terms.

Melissa Cardinal R.N.  
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5-1-2014

DATE